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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 25 March 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

RESUMED FIFTH COMMITTEE
(First part)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 119 (Human resources management (A/53/526 and Add.1, A/53/691, A/53/642, A/53/385, A/52/814, A/53/548, A/53/342, A/53/414, A/53/266, A/53/375 and Corr.1 and Corr.2 (French only), A/C.5/53/L.3, A/C.5/53/L.39, A/53/502 and Add.1, A/53/327, A/C.5/53/34 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/2 and A/53/501))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 145 (Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)

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Note: The PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA and the SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS of bodies other than those of the General Assembly at its fifty-third session appear in PART II (English/French) of the present issue of the Journal (No. 1999/57 (PART II)).

6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.- 12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

[To be determined.]

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 26 March 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

RESUMED FIFTH COMMITTEE
(First part)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
8 p.m.	54th meeting	Conference Room 3

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 23 March 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

95th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of His Highness Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa, the late Amir of the State of Bahrain

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly observed one minute of silence in tribute to the memory of His Highness Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa, the late Amir of the State of Bahrain.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia (on behalf of the African States), Qatar (on behalf of the Asian States), Ukraine (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Guyana (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Denmark (on behalf of the Western European and Other States), the United States (as host country) and Bahrain.

Adoption of the agenda, and organization of work: letter from the Secretary-General requesting the reopening of the consideration of agenda item 110 (A/53/862) [8]

The General Assembly decided to reopen the consideration of agenda item 110 and to consider the item directly in the plenary.

Strengthening of the United Nations system [58]

The President made a statement concerning the current consultations on the opening date of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly, the dates of the general debate of that session and the dates of the two-day special session on Small Island Developing States, and urged Member States involved in those consultations to reach a consensus on those dates as soon as possible.

Observer status for the Customs Cooperation Council in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/53/L.75) [169]

The representative of Chile made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/53/L.75.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/53/L.75 (resolution 53/216).

The observer for the Customs Cooperation Council made a statement.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 169.

Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo [167]

Statements were made by the representatives of Burkina Faso (on behalf of the Organization of African Unity), the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Germany (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) and Argentina, H.E. Mr. Amama Mbabazi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, and the representatives of Angola, Malaysia, Namibia and South Africa.

The representative of Rwanda made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Programme of work

The President proposed to the Assembly to hold an informal meeting of the plenary during the second half of April 1999, to continue the consideration of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Environment and human settlements" (A/53/463).

The President also proposed to designate subsequently a coordinator to facilitate the negotiations for a consensus draft resolution.

Wednesday, 24 March 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

96th plenary meeting

Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo [167]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, Slovenia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Zimbabwe, Benin, Zambia and the Comoros.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, Rwanda and the Sudan.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 167.

Organization of the General Assembly

The Vice-President reiterated the appeal of the President to Member States to reach a consensus as soon as possible on the date of the opening of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly, the dates of the general debate of that session and the date of the two-day special session on Small Island Developing States.

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